

VACCINE ELIGIBILITY SCREENING GUIDE

The Idaho Immunization Program (IIP) administers the federal Vaccines for Children (VFC) program in Idaho. All vaccines recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) are supplied to IIP-enrolled providers at no cost, through a combination of federal and state funds, for Idaho children 0 through 18 years of age.

The guide below will help your practice determine whether vaccine supplied by the IIP may be administered to a patient and which eligibility category should be documented in the patient's medical record and in Idaho's Immunization Reminder Information System (IRIS)¹.

Questions (sequential; follow in order)

1. Does the child have private health insurance?

If **YES**, then go to **2**. If **NO**, then go to **4**.

2. Does the child's private health insurance cover immunizations?

If YES, then go to 3. If NO, then go to C.

3. Does the child reside in Idaho or Washington?

If **YES**, then go to **B**. If **NO**, then go to **D**.

4. Is the child covered by Medicaid from any state?

If **YES**, then go to **A**. If **NO**, then go to **5**.

5. Is the child an American Indian or Alaska Native from any state?

If YES, then go to A. If NO, then go to A.

Answers

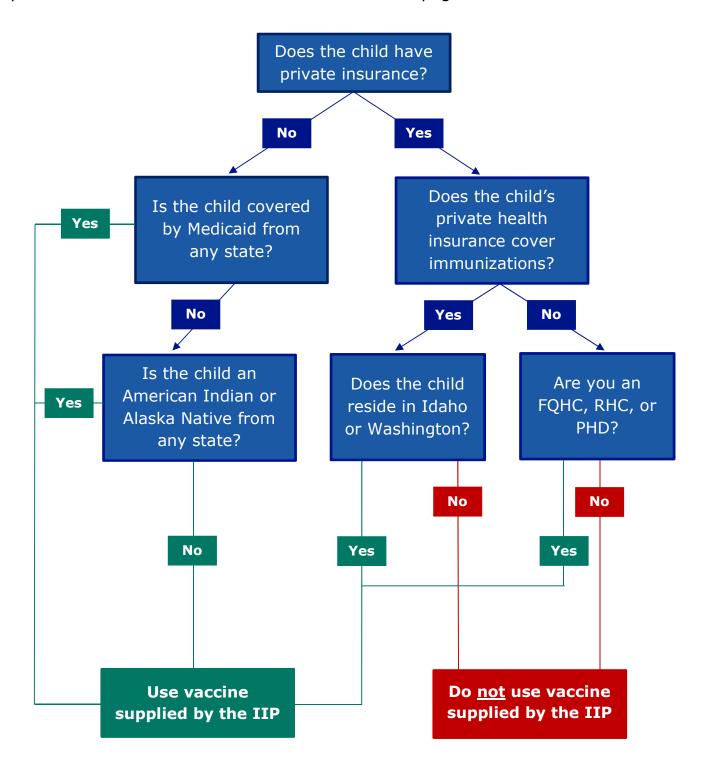
- **A.** VFC-eligible. Use the vaccine supplied by the IIP.
 - The VFC eligibility category will be *Medicaid*, *Uninsured*, or *Native American/Alaska Native* (*NA/AN*).
- **B.** Not VFC-eligible, but eligible for state-supplied vaccine. Use the vaccine supplied by the IIP.
 - The eligibility category will be *Not VFC eligible or ineligible.*
- **C.** VFC-eligible at an FQHC, RHC, or PHD² only.
 - Use vaccine supplied by the IIP only if your office is an FQHC, RHC, or PHD.
 - The VFC eligibility category will be *Underinsured*³.
 - If your office is not an FQHC, RHC, or PHD, then:
 - The patient may be referred to an FQHC, RHC, or PHD, or
 - Privately purchased vaccine may be used only if the parent or guardian has been told that the vaccine is available for no cost at an FQHC, RHC, or PHD.
- **D.** Not eligible for VFC or state-supplied vaccine. Use privately purchased vaccine or refer to a provider in the patient's state of residence. **Do not** use vaccine supplied by the IIP.

¹Any administration fees must be billed in accordance with the eligibility category documented. If a patient is eligible in more than one category, then the category with the least out of pocket expense should be selected.

²FQHC = Federally Qualified Health Center; RHC = Rural Health Clinic; PHD = Public Health District

³Before administering, providers must verify whether the patient's insurance covers vaccines.

This flowchart displays when vaccine supplied by the Idaho Immunization Program (IIP) should be used and when it cannot be used. For more detail, please refer to the questions and answers list on the other side of this page.



The IIP uses federal and state funds to supply vaccine to enrolled healthcare providers. Patient eligibility must be documented at every immunization visit.



